

# Flevo Birdwatching

Tour date: 11<sup>th</sup> of July 2018, 22 C sunny with clouds

Name of area visited: Oostvaardersplassen, Lepelaarsplassen and Harderbroek

Guide(s): Taco

I met Neil and Clair from Scotland at the trainstation. We had a long day of birding and some target species on our list. Our First stop was at the Jan van de Boschpad. On our hike towards the viewing point we managed to see on of the targets of today :Marshwarbler, the master of imitating birds songs from Europe and Africa. At the viewing point there was a lonely Spoonbill. Many Spoonbills will follow during the day. Another much wanted species was the Avocet. Luckely they are here. Also more waders: Black-tailed godwitt, Redshank and many Ruff. During the day we will see hundreds of Ruff. They are the most common wader today. The reed beds are not so productive we fail to see many reed species. Only the Reed warbler is showing itself.



Our second stop near the dyke close to the Lepelaarsplassen, we stay a little bit longer to have more chance to see a very much wanted species: the Bearded tit. After some glimpses of Bearded tits flying into the reed we finally managed to have good looks. Yes ! Many Reed buntings also present and some very short views of Bluethroats.

Next stop is near a small piece of grassland. A good place to see Linnet and Greenfinch.

Our fourth stop is at the Oostvaardersdijk near a small harbour. At this spot we add Common sandpiper, Common tern and Tufted ducks to our growing daylist.

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We use a lunch at the visitor centre near the city of Lelystad. We try to get a Treecreeper in sight but we can only hear 2 or 3 birds, they are secretive today. Perfect view of a male Common Redstart and many Goldfinches during the lunch.



Next we drive to small lookout hill. Many Lapwing, Ruff, Golden plover and at least 4 Black-winged stilts. At this spot we run into Arjan Dwarhuis, the word record holder Big Year birding with 6852 species of birds. He was searching for a Asian Golden Plover. Nice guy and a nice meet and greet.

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Our last spot of the day is Harderbroek. This small reserve is situated near the city of Harderwijk. One of our targets is a regular visitor of this area. And luckily it was present: Red-crested pochard. At least 50 Spoonbills are at this spot. And we add some more species to the daylist of 82 species: White-tailed eagle, Spotted redshank, Stock dove and Long-tailed tit.



Thank you for birding with FlevoBirdwathing and have a journey back tot he Scottish higlands.

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<b>Nederlandse naam</b>	<b>English name</b>	<b>Wetenschappelijke/Scientific name</b>
fuut	great crested grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
aalscholver	great cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
grote zilverreiger	great egret	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>
blauwe reiger	grey heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
ooievaar	white stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
lepelaar	eurasian spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
knobbelzwaan	mute swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>
grouwe gans	greylag goose	<i>Anser anser</i>
brandgans	barnacle goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>
bergeend	common shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>
nijlgans	egyptian goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiacus</i>
wilde eend	mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
krakeend	gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>
slobeend	northern shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
wintertaling	common teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>
krooneend	red-crested pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>
kuifeend	tufted duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
bruine kiekendief	marsh harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
buizerd	common buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
zeearend	white tailed eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>
torenavalk	common kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
meerkoet	common coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>
scholekster	oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>
kluut	avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
steltkluut	black-winged stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
bontbekplevier	greater ringed plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>
kleine plevier	lesser ringed plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
goudplevier	european golden plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>
kemphaan	ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
grutto	black-tailed godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
tureluur	common redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
zwarte ruiter	spotted redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
groenpootruiter	common greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
oeverloper	common sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
witgat	green sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
kokmeeuw	black-headed gull	<i>Croicocephalus ridibundus</i>
stormmeeuw	common gull	<i>Larus canus</i>
zilvermeeuw	herring gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>
grote mantelmeeuw	greater black-backed gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>
kleine mantelmeeuw	lesser black-backed gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>
visdief	common tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>
houtduif	wood pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>
holenduif	stock pigeon	<i>Columba oenas</i>
turkse tortel	collard dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
gierzwaluw	common swift	<i>Apus apus</i>
ijsvogel	common kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
grote bonte specht	greater spotted woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>
veldleeuwerik	sky lark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>

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oeverwaluw	sand martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
boerenzwaluw	barn swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
huiswaluw	house martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>
witte kwikstaart	white wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
winterkoning	wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
Roodborst H	robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>
blauwborst	bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>
gekraagde roodstaart	common redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>
merel	blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>
Zanglijster H	song trush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>
rietzanger	sedge warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>
bosrietzanger	marsh warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>
kleine karekiet	reed warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>
tuinfluiter	garden warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>
Grasmus H	common whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>
zwartkop	blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>
tjiftjaf	chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>
baardman	bearded tit	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>
pimpelmees	blue tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>
koolmees	great tit	<i>Parus major</i>
staartmees	long-tailed tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>
Boomkruiper H	short-toed treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>
spreeuw	common starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
gaai	eurasian jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>
ekster	magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>
kauw	eurasian jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>
raaf	common raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>
zwarte kraai	carrion crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>
huismus	house sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
vink	chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>
groenling	greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>
putter	goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>
kneu	linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>
rietgors	reed bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>

**Number of species 82 H=only heard**